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PATENT APPLICATION

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W. Lawson
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROFUMI SUDA ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/371,537)
Filed: August 10, 1999)
For: DATA COMMUNICATION)
APPARATUS, DATA)
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, DATA)
COMMUNICATION METHOD AND)
STORAGE MEDIUM)
Examiner: N.K. Vu
Art Unit: 2611
July 14, 2003

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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2003, to and including July 14, 2003 (July 12, 2003, being a Saturday). A check in the amount of \$410.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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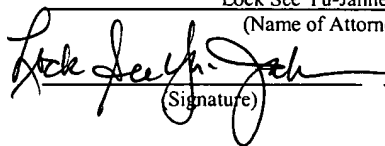
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July 14, 2003
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The Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: